

Utility Departments of Hildale/Colorado City

Utility Board Meeting Minutes
320 East Newel Ave, Hildale Utah
Thursday, July 25, 2019 6:00 P.M.

Present: Utility Board

Board Members:	Present	Absent	Excused
Haven Barlow	X		
Sterling Jessop, Jr.	X		
Ralph Johnson	X		
Arvin Black	X		
Jason Black	X		
Nathan Burnham	X		
JVar Dutson	X		
Stacy Seay	X		
Michael Cawley	X		

Staff Present: Harrison Johnson, Weston Barlow, Vance Barlow, Vincen Barlow

Public Present: Nelda Hammon, Sarah Ventre

#1 Call to Order /Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll was taken, quorum present.

#2 Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Nathan Burnham offered a prayer and the crowd joined in the pledge of allegiance.

#3 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

No corrections noted.

Nathan Burnham moved to ratify the minutes of the June 25, 2019 meeting.

JVar Dutson seconded. Roll call vote:

Board Members:	Yes	No	Abstain
Haven Barlow	X		
Sterling Jessop, Jr.	X		
Ralph Johnson	X		
Arvin Black	X		
Jason Black	X		
Nathan Burnham	X		
JVar Dutson	X		
Stacy Seay	X		
Michael Cawley	X		

Motion carried.

Ralph Johnson informed the Utility Board that the Town Council of Colorado City did not approve item #13, Consideration and Possible Action on Interfund Transfer to Fiber Department, when they ratified the minutes of this meeting.

#4 Public Comment

Nelda Hammon addressed the board regarding the issue of the sewer fee charged to new, smaller families moving into the larger homes that previously housed very large families with significantly higher water usage. She proposed a policy be implemented to aide these smaller families.

Harrison pointed out that this has been a problem for a number of families. The only usage that the Department has to base the bill off of is the usage of the previous occupant. Harrison is planning on presenting a change to the sewer rate regulation next month to address the issue.

#5 Consideration of Utility Waiver Requests

None

#6 Managers Report

Harrison presented on number of accounts billed, Gas Department annual leak survey, fire incidents, Utah Division of Drinking Water Grant, and the resignation of Utility Billing Clerk.

#7 Financial Report

Board members were provided with expenditures with comparison to budget for the month ending June 30, 2019 and invoice register for review. There was lengthy discussion on the need to maintain systems, even though a budget deficit is predicted.

JVar Dutson moved to pay the bills as they become due and the funds become available.

Jason Black seconded. Roll call vote:

Board Members:	Yes	No	Abstain
Haven Barlow	X		
Sterling Jessop, Jr.	X		
Ralph Johnson	X		
Arvin Black	X		
Jason Black	X		
Nathan Burnham	X		
JVar Dutson	X		
Stacy Seay	X		
Michael Cawley	X		

Motion carried.

#8 Consideration and Possible Action on Gas Distribution Pre-Operations Policy

A policy cannot be made without further input from other Departments, but a gas distributions pre-operations checklist and workplace safety inspection form were created in hopes of assuring workplace safety.

#9 Consideration and Possible Action on Executive Session Disclosures

Harrison has noticed that not having access to executive session minutes, where pending litigation or personnel matters have been discussed, has created a lack of information that could

be useful in his position. If allowed access, Director and City Manager would be under the same confidentiality requirements as members invited to the sessions. This has been discussed with the City Attorney.

Stacy Seay moved to allow the Utility Director and City Managers access to the Executive Sessions handled by the Hildale City Recorder.

Jason Black seconded. Roll call vote:

Board Members:	Yes	No	Abstain
Haven Barlow	X		
Sterling Jessop, Jr.	X		
Ralph Johnson	X		
Arvin Black	X		
Jason Black	X		
Nathan Burnham	X		
JVar Dutson	X		
Stacy Seay	X		
Michael Cawley	X		

Motion carried.

#10 Discussion on Guarantee of Water Availability

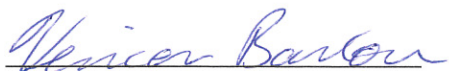
Discussion was about North Canyon Street specifically. The State Act was provided for Board member reference. The issue is, we have an inadequate line giving service; there is not enough pressure. If the State requires fire protection for these parcels, the line would need to be upgraded. The question is who should pay for the infrastructure improvements, if required.

No solution was required at this meeting, this was just informational for the Board to start thinking about.

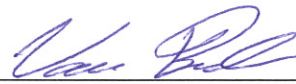
#11 Adjournment

With no other business, meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Minutes were approved at the meeting on August 29, 2019.



Vincen Barlow, Hildale City Recorder



Vance Barlow, Colorado City Town Clerk

Summary of Board Actions:

June 25, 2019 meeting minutes ratified

Pay Bills

Utility Director and City Managers given access to Executive Sessions